

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation and I believe is a violation of campaign laws and a threat to the freedoms guaranteed by our Constitution.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. It does not and has not. When large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line, and the biased opinions of the corporate heads and owners and less of what we need for our democracy. It is important we see real people and real, truthful issues. If large corporations or governments control the news our freedoms are lost.

Sinclair's selfish and biased and undemocratic actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Please help us maintain freedom, liberty and democracy. Thank you.